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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-68474)

DATE: 6/14/

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (65-22967)

SUBJECT: ROBPROF

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Rebutel to NY, 4/7/65, and NK letter to Bureau,
5/25/65.

The Bureau, by referenced letter suggested that
NY consider the possibility that either DR. SELMAN A. WAKSMAN
or DR. WERNER JOACHIM BRAUN may be the Unsub in the ROBPROF
case. NY was also requested to consider the significance
to the ROBPROF case of the case captioned, "UNSUB; American
Scientist." For the purpose of this evaluation, NY has
reviewed the information available at this office concerning
DR. BRAUN, and has reviewed the case files on DR. WAKSMAN,
[redacted] and "UNSUB; American
Scientist."

Concerning ROBPROF as the Bureau is aware
[redacted] a KGB employee and [redacted]
a KGB agent met with ROBPROF on [redacted]

- 4 - Bureau (RM)
 - (1 - 65-67499) (UNSUB; American Scientist)
 - (1 - 105-15518) (WAKSMAN)
- 4 - Newark (65-5649) (RM)
 - (1 - 65-5688) (UNSUB; American Scientist)
 - (1 - 105-731) (WAKSMAN)
- 4 - Washington Field (65-9314) (RM)
 - (1 - 65-21978) (UNSUB; American Scientist)
 - (1 - 121-5431) (WAKSMAN)
- 1 - New York (65-21978) (UNSUB; American Scientist)
- 1 - New York (105-3800) (WAKSMAN)
- 1 - New York [redacted]
- 1 - New York [redacted]

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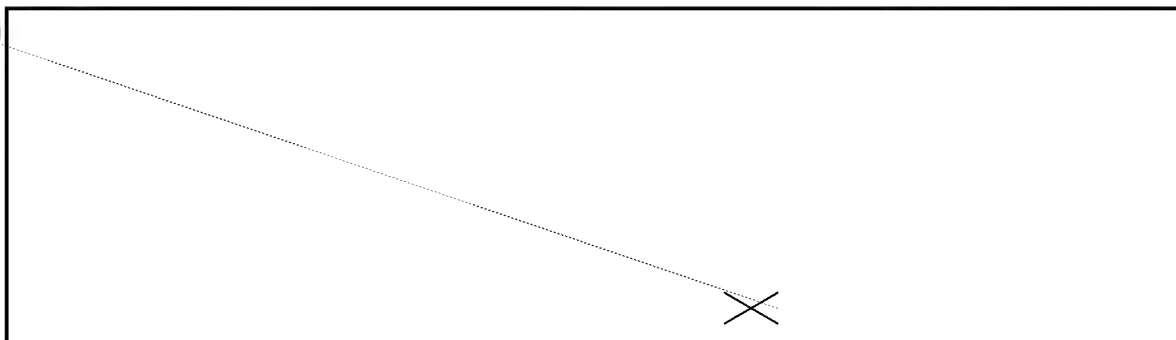
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(U) In the case, "UNSUB; American Scientist" the basic information was furnished by a defected KGB officer whose advice had been sought by a fellow KGB officer in early 1961. This fellow officer had an agent in Moscow who was prominent in the field of medicine. This soviet doctor had a brother in the US who was also a scientist, possibly a psychiatrist or a biologist, whom the KGB was interested in recruiting. The plan was to send the Soviet doctor to the US to effect such a recruitment or alternately to have the American doctor invited to Europe, possibly Finland where he would be met by his brother. The brothers names were not learned; however, it was determined that the American doctor lived in a large city on the East Coast of the US and if he had visited the USSR it was a long time ago. (S)

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Concerning the significance of the case captioned, "UNSUB; American Scientist" NY considers that it is possible that the subject of this case could be identical with the subject of the ROBPROF case. However, it is believed that insufficient information is available to indicate conclusively that these two files are identical. (S)(u)

Concerning DR. SELMAN A. WAKSMAN's possible involvement in the case captioned, "UNSUB; American Scientist", NY feels that DR. WAKSMAN should definitely be considered as a logical suspect in that case. (S)(u)

It is recognized that DR. WAKSMAN resides in a small town in the Metropolitan, NY area rather than in a large eastern city itself, and that he is a microbiologist rather than a biologist, and further that his relative in the Soviet Union is a brother-in-law rather than a brother. However, it is felt that these are minor discrepancies and are insufficient to eliminate him as a logical suspect in that case.

Additionally, it is noted that no information is available to indicate DR. WAKSMAN was in Finland, which was one of the two places (the other being the US) where recruitment of the Unsub was scheduled. However, it should be noted that DR. WAKSMAN visited Europe in 1961, 1962 and 1964, and possibly could have gone to Finland on any of these occasions without the fact being widely known.

It is further believed that the site of the recruitment of the Unsub in that case would have been a flexible matter subject to a later development. Recognizing

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DR. BRAUN is designated as a Professor; however, based on his position with the institution, this would appear to be a reasonable conclusion. NY concurs in the Bureau's observation that DR. BRAUN would be a target of Soviet intelligence. (S)(u)

(U) DR. BRAUN could easily have come under the influence of the Soviets either at the Institute of Microbiology or in his previous visits to Iron Curtain countries. It is noted that DR. BRAUN is characterized as an individual of liberal ideas and it is further noted that DR. BRAUN is the only member at the Institute of Microbiology who is known to have access to classified information. In this respect, a strict interpretation of [redacted] comment that ROBPROF has furnished a great deal of "secret" information, would make DR. BRAUN the most logical suspect at the Institute of Microbiology. (S)

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(U) Set forth below for comparative purposes, are the known travels of the two suspects, DR. BRAUN and DR. WAKSMAN, and the two Soviet principals of the ROBPROF case, [redacted] and [redacted]. It is felt that at this time, insufficient information is available concerning DR. BRAUN and DR. WAKSMAN's travels particularly within the US for this comparison to be effective at this time. (S)

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(U) It is felt that if additional information is received concerning the travels of DR. BRAUN, DR. WAKSMAN or any other suspect in this case, such a comparison with the travel of the two Soviet principals could be quite pertinent. (S)

(U) It should be noted that [redacted] requested permission to travel from NYC to Washington, D.C. for the period of 12/23/63 to 12/24 or 25/63. NY cannot positively state that this travel was actually performed; however, it is presumed that this is the case. (S)

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(U) A review of the SMUN lookout logs reveal that on 12/23/63, [redacted] was first observed departing the SMUN. (S)

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(U) NYC At 9:26 AM, he returned to the SMUN building at 11:41 AM and again departed the SMUN building at 11:53AM. [redacted] was not again observed on 12/23/63, nor was he observed on 12/24/63. It is noted that on 12/25/63, the SMUN lookout was not in operation. (S)

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(U) It is felt that [redacted] scheduled travel to Washington, D.C. on 12/23/63, the same date that he met with ROBPROF, should be noted; however, it is believed that this does not necessarily imply that [redacted] meet with ROBPROF was outside the NYC area. In this respect, it is believed that [redacted] would have time to meet with ROBPROF in the NYC area and travel to Washington, D.C. on the same date. Additionally, it has been noted in the past on several occasions that [redacted] has departed a day later than he was scheduled to, apparently leaving early the following morning. (S)

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SEHEDULED TRAVEL

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BRAUN

DR.
WAKSMAN

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Reportedly 7/16/60-
visited 10/5/60
(U) Czechoslovakia Visited
date unknown Europe

8/23/62 -USA

France and 2/1/61 -
Israel (poss- 2/22/61
ible visit to Jamaica
East Germany
4/63) for almost
one year
returning to
US 8/31/63

5/58-6/58
Visited
Minneapolis,
Minnesota

12/25/64 -
12/27
Visited
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

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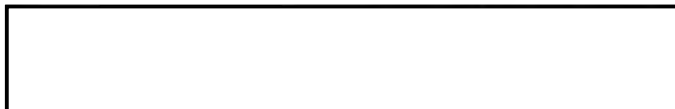
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DR.
BRAUN

DR.
WAKSMAN



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5/23/61-
7/7/61
Europe

Arrived
USA 1/11/61

9/23-28/62
Washington,
D.C.

8/20/61-
9/10/61
Bermuda

4/16/62
Visited
Atlantic
City, NJ

10/15-19/62
Atlantic City

3/18/62-
6/4/64
Europe
including
USSR

7/2/62
Visited
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

10/18-24/62
Cleveland,
Ohio

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8/23/62-
10/11/62
Europe

10/15-16/62
Visited
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania
and Washington,
D.C.

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1/31/62-
2/27/63
Mexico

12/2/62
Visited
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

Approximately
1/24/63-
Approximately
1/25-26/63
Columbus,
Ohio

8/16/63-
9/13/63
South
America

3/10/63-
Visited
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

3/21/63
3/25/63
Visited
New Orleans,
Louisiana

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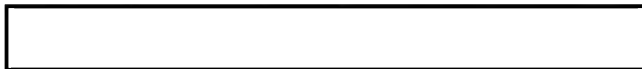
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DR. BRAUN

DR. WAKSMAN



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3/15/64-
4/21/64
Europe

3/30-
31/63
Visited
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

3/25-3/30
Chicago, Illinois

9/15/64-
10/24/64
Europe

4/6-7/63
Visited
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

5/5/63
Departed US
Reportedly
destined
Paris

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4/18/63
Departed
US reportedly
destined
USSR

5/25/63
Arrived USA
Passport visa
issued at
Burn,
Switzerland

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4/6-7/63
Visited
Washington,
D.C.

6/5-9/63
Washington,
D.C.

Arrived US
passport visa
issued
Washington, D.C.

6/27-
Approximately
29
East Lansing,
Michigan

1/3/64
departed US
reportedly
destined USSR

8/27/63
Departed US
Reportedly
destined Paris

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DR.
BRAUN

DR.
WAKSMAN

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Arrived USA
10/10/63
Passport visa
issued at Washington,
D.C.

10/24-27/63
Los Angeles,
California

10/27-11/3/63
San Francisco,
California

12/23-25/63
Washington, D.C.

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12/31/63
Departed US
Reportedly destined
Sweden

3/4/64
Arrived USA
Passport issued
at Washington, D.C.

4/11-19/64
Chicago, Illinois

7/5/64
Katonah, NY

9/8-12/64
Washington, D.C.

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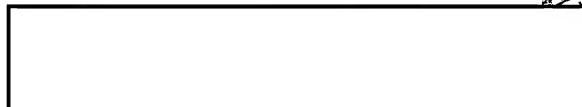
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Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

9/30-10/5
Washington, D.C.
Bethesda,
Maryland

10/20-24/64
Boston,
Massachusetts

11/22/64
Katonah, NY

11/14-15/64
West Reading,
Connecticut

11/17-64
Rye, NY

12/25-27/64
Pittsburgh,
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Kansas City,
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Geneva,
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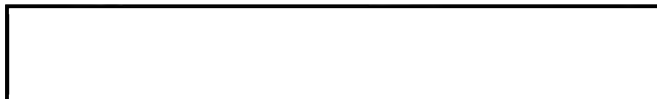
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BRAUN

DR.
WAKSMAN



8/65
Scheduled to
visit
Czechoslovakia
and Hungary

2/18-21/65
Boston,
Massachusetts

3/10/65 Departed
USA reportedly
destined USSR

3/20/65 Returned
USA

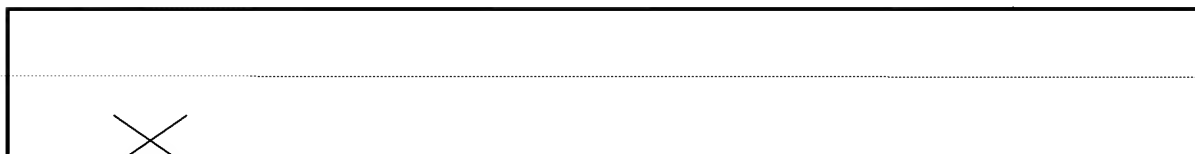
3/7/65
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Pennsylvania

4/9-14/65
Atlantic City,
New Jersey

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NY feels that it is quite likely that ROBPROF is affiliated with the Institute of Microbiology, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. Therefore, it is felt that either DR. BRAUN or DR. WAKSMAN could logically be considered as suspects in the ROBPROF case. Certainly nothing has been brought to NY's attention that could eliminate either of these men as suspects. (S)(u)

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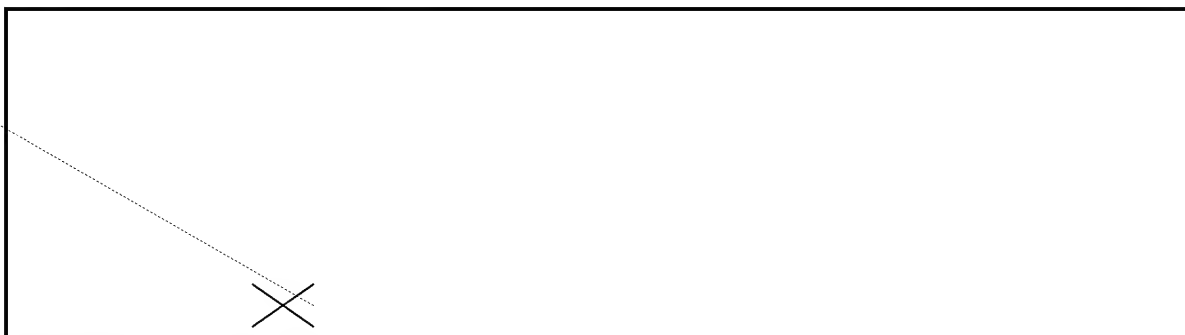
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(U) There is insufficient information at this time to decide whether either DR. WAKSMAN or DR. BRAUN should be considered as a prime suspect in this case. However, NY definitely believes that both DR. WAKSMAN and DR. BRAUN are logical suspects. In the event [redacted] is able to furnish information concerning a scheduled ROBPROF meet with the Soviets, NY feels both of these men should be afforded discreet fisur coverage. NY will be alert for any information from [redacted] further describing ROBPROF which could be considered in evaluating either of these men as suspects. (S)

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REQUEST OF BUREAU

(U) The Bureau is requested to obtain any information CTA has concerning WAKSMAN or DR. BRAUN. (S)

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AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY. NK is requested to advise if DR. BRAUN is considered as a Professor at the Institute.

NK is also requested to furnish any additional information available that might cast some light on either DR. BRAUN or WAKSMAN's activities on or around 12/23/63.

NK is requested to consider the advisability of discreetly questioning established sources regarding where DR. WAKSMAN and DR. BRAUN usually spend the Christmas holidays. It being noted that [redacted] resides in Lexington, Massachusetts. The possibility that such discreet questioning could elicit the desired information should be considered.

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NK is also requested to advise NY upon receipt of any information indicating that either DR. WAKSMAN or DR. BRAUN are scheduled to travel to NY. This information would be of value to NY in considering discreet surveillance coverage.

WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON, D.D. Will examine records of the Visa Section United States Department of State to determine if PETER MITNIK, brother-in-law of DR. SELAMN A. WAKSMAN, has visited the United States.

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In view of this, by liaison, Bureau is endeavoring to determine if either of the above two individuals have had contact with the Soviet officials in the United States who have had contact with the Soviet agent we seek to identify in this investigation. You will be advised of results of Bureau's efforts in this regard.

- 2 - Newark (65-5649)
- 1 - 105-15518 (S.A. Waksman)
- 1 - 65-67499 (Unsub; American Scientist) *(initials)*

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NOTE:

We are seeking to identify a Professor of Microbiology who has been handled by and currently by Waksman and Braun are suspects by virtue of their background in the field of microbiology. Waksman, particularly, has had extensive contacts with Soviets over many years

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, *for*

DATE: 6/30/65

FROM :

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- 1 - Mr. Branigan (Attn.)
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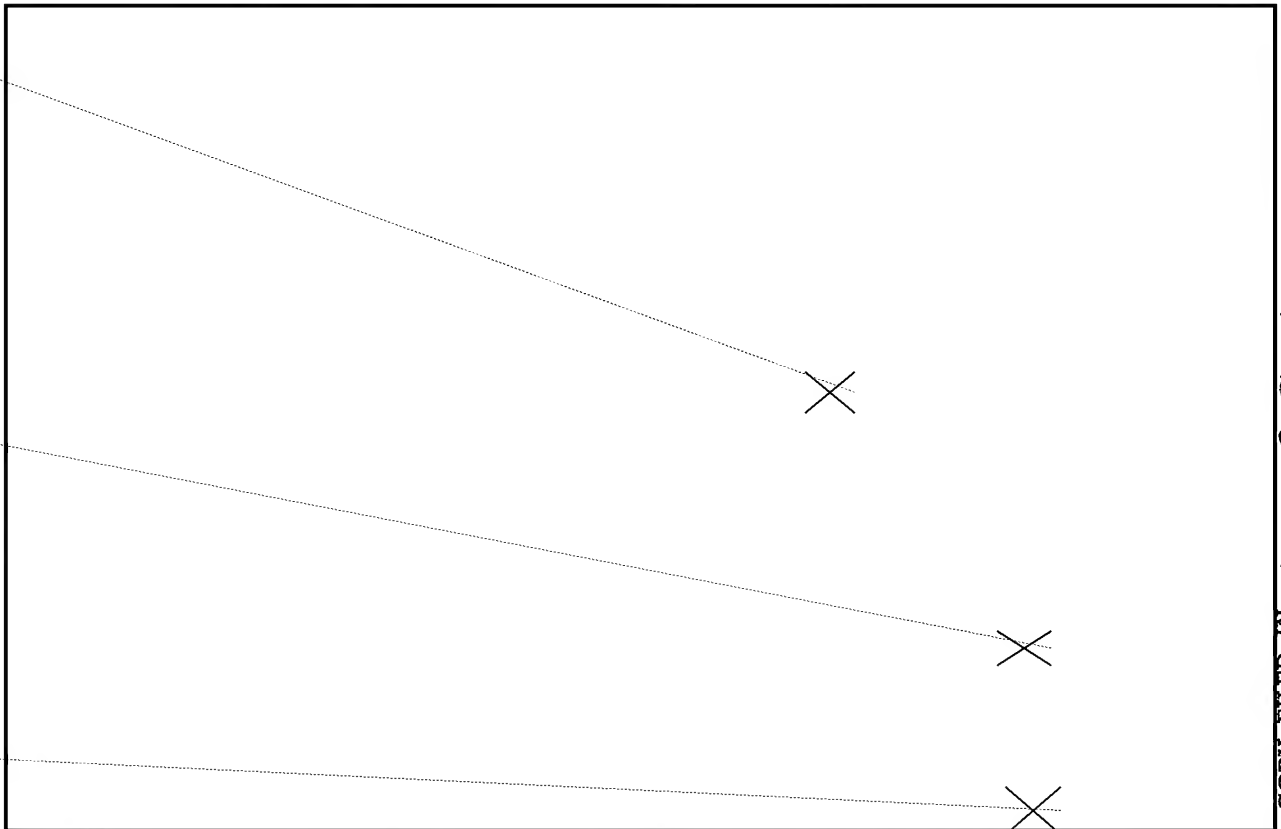
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2 - Newark (65-6049)

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- 1 - 105-15518 (S. A. Waksman)
- 1 - 140-22705 (Werner J. Braun)
- 1 - 65-67499 (Unsub; American Scientist)

NOTE: Based on memo [redacted] to Brennan prepared by SJP:chs, same caption, 7/23/65. We are seeking to identify a professor of microbiology (Robprof) who has been handled by three Soviet principals. Waksman and Braun are suspects based on their background in the field of microbiology. Both have had contacts with the Soviets over the years [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Signature]*

DATE: 7/23/65

FROM :

1 - Mr. Branigan

(Attn.)

1 - Liaison

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SUBJECT: ROBPROF
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Reference is made to my memorandum dated 6/30/65.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-68474)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (65-22967) (P)

SUBJECT: ROBPROF
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DATE: 8/25/65

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ReNYlets to Bureau, 5/25/65 and 6/14/65.

90 Day Progress Letter

Intelligence Status

[redacted] advised during December, 1963, that ROBPROF, who was described as a "Professor of Microbiology" had been assigned to [redacted] an agent of the KGB.

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Investigation Performed

NY's most recent investigative activities have consisted of a review of pertinent information available to NY concerning Dr. SELMAN A. WAKSMAN and Dr. WERNER JOACHIM BRAUN. This review has shown that both Dr. WAKSMAN and Dr. BRAUN should be considered as logical suspects in this case. Additionally, NY has completed a review of the case files of [redacted] and [redacted] the subject's previous KGB principal, in an effort to develop logical leads in this case. The travels of Dr. WAKSMAN, Dr. BRAUN, [redacted] and [redacted] have been reviewed and charted for possible future use in this case.

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1 - New York [redacted]

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NY has continued to follow [] activities closely and to analyze them for any significance to the ROBPROF case. No recent pertinent information has been developed.

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[] has furnished no additional information to assist in identifying the subject.

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Investigation Planned for the Next 90 Days

If [] attends the above mentioned meeting in Washington, D.C., during October, 1965, NY will request appropriate surveillance coverage of this meeting. It is felt quite possible that [] may be in contact with ROBPROF at this meeting. Investigative efforts in connection with this meeting will be directed toward determining [] contacts.

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Efforts will be made to have established sources attend the above mentioned meeting at Washington, D.C., in order to be more fully aware of [] contacts.

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NY will maintain contact with [] for any information which would assist in identifying the subject.

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NY will continue intensive investigation of the subject's principal for any information of value in this case.

IN VIEW OF THE HIGHLY SENSITIVE POSITION OF
[REDACTED] EXTREME CAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED IN HANDLING
ANY INFORMATION ATTRIBUTED TO THIS SOURCE, AND NO ACTION
TAKEN WHICH COULD CONCEIVABLY JEOPARDIZE THE SECURITY OF
THE INFORMANT OR REVEAL HIS IDENTITY.

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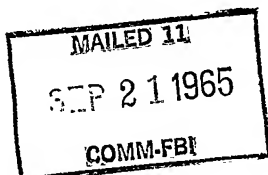
Enclosure
2 - Newark (65-5649) (Enclosure)

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NOTE: We are seeking to identify a professor of microbiology who has been a source of the Soviets. Both the above doctors are suspects only by virtue of their backgrounds and contacts with Soviets.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (65-68474)

DATE 10/14/65

FROM SAC, NEWARK (65-5649)

SUBJECT

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Re Newark letters dated 5/25/65, 7/23/65, and 8/19/65;
New York letter dated 5/16/65; and Bureau letter dated 9/21/65

Confidential Source [redacted]

[redacted], recently related that Dr. SELMAN WAKSMAN had sent him a short letter to advise him that everything is all right, that he should be in Paris, France, from Moscow on or about 9/15/65. [redacted] indicated that WAKSMAN should return to the U.S. shortly thereafter.

[redacted] advised that he is aware of most of WAKSMAN's activities since he visits with WAKSMAN every morning of the work week. He said that if WAKSMAN has any plans to travel, he, [redacted] is always aware of this travel. [redacted] said this includes travel to NYC, which usually happens to be about one a week. [redacted] advised that WAKSMAN has many friends of prominence in NYC with whom he visits, such as [redacted]. He said that every Thursday evening WAKSMAN meets his wife in NYC in the early afternoon, that they shop and dine in New York and complete the evening at Philharmonic Hall, where they attend the concert. [redacted] said he always has a chauffeured vehicle meet WAKSMAN after the concert to drive him back to New Jersey, since [redacted] does not feel WAKSMAN should drive during the night.

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 - (1 - 105-15518) (WAKSMAN)
- 3 - New York (65-22967) (RM)
 - (1 - 105-3800) (WAKSMAN)
- 4 - Newark
 - (1 - 105-731) (WAKSMAN)
 - (1 - [redacted])

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[] advised that WAKSMAN has a summer home at Woods Hole, Mass. He said that to the best of his knowledge WAKSMAN usually spends the holidays, including Christmas, with his son and grandchildren.

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[] advised that WAKSMAN has been out of the laboratory for years, therefore, is really not current in the field of medical sciences. He indicated WAKSMAN spends a good portion of his time writing.

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[] remarked that WAKSMAN is not very fond of the Soviets, particularly since the Soviet Union was the only country of the world not to send him a note of congratulations for receiving the Nobel Prize in 1952. [] stated that WAKSMAN has constantly made remarks unfavorable concerning the Soviets, the last being just prior to his departure from the U.S. to what he referred to as "the police state". [] said WAKSMAN, to his knowledge, has no contact with the Soviets and cares less about having such contact.

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[] advised that he is not as aware of the daily habits of WERNER BRAUN, as he is with WAKSMAN, however that if BRAUN is traveling at all on what could be considered as in line with his work, he, [] is aware of this travel, since there would be an expense involved. [] said this often includes travel to NYC.

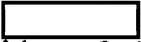
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 related that BRAUN was surprised to note that the majority of these Soviets attended a mass for the late G. MENDEL, for whom this symposium was in honor, at the cathedral in Prague.

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Conversation with  concerning WAKSMAN's limited activities in the medical sciences field and his anti-Soviet sentiments over the years creates a doubt as to whether WAKSMAN should be considered a suspect in captioned matter.

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Although BRAUN, because of his background in bacteriological warfare, could be considered more likely suspect than WAKSMAN in captioned matter, it appears as though there is also insufficient information at the present time to support suspicion of BRAUN. 

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-68474)

FROM : *JM*
6m2 SAC, NEW YORK (65-22967)(P)

SUBJECT: ROBPROF
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(OO: NEW YORK)

DATE: 11/23/65

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ReNYlet to Bureau, 8/25/65.

90 DAY PROGRESS LETTER

Intelligence Status

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[redacted] advised during December, 1963, that ROBPROF, described as a "Professor of Microbiology," had been assigned to [redacted], an agent of the KGB.

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Investigation Performed

NY has reviewed information available concerning Dr. SELMAN A. WAKSMAN and Dr. WERNER JOACHIM BRAUN, who have been previously mentioned as suspects in this case. Upon reviewing information concerning these individuals, it is not possible to establish a connection between either of these individuals and ROBPROF.

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[] has not furnished any additional information to assist in identifying the subject.

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NY continues to closely scrutinize [] contacts in effort to obtain information concerning the subject. Auxiliary offices have been requested to remain alert for any contacts [] may have in the field of microbiology during his travels. Investigation of [] has failed to develop information that would assist in identifying the subject.

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Investigation Planned For Next 90 Days

NY will maintain contact with [] for any information to assist in identifying the subject.

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NY will continue intensive investigation of the subject's principal, [], for logical investigative leads in this case.

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IN VIEW OF THE HIGHLY SENSITIVE POSITION OF []
EXTREME CAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED IN HANDLING ANY INFORMATION ATTRIBUTED TO THIS SOURCE, AND NO ACTION TAKEN WHICH COULD CONCEIVABLY JEOPARDIZE THE SECURITY OF THE INFORMANT OR REVEAL HIS IDENTITY.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-68474) DATE: 12/17/65
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (65-22967) (P)
SUBJECT: ROBPROF (S)(u)
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NKlet to Bureau, 10/14/65.

Both Dr. SELMAN ABRAHAM WAKSMAN and Dr. WERNER
JOACHIM BRAUN at the Institute of Microbiology, Rutgers
University, have been considered logical suspects in the
ROBPROF case. (S)(u)

Efforts to establish possible identity between one
of these individuals and the unknown subject have met
with negative results.

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(1 - 105-731) (WAKSMAN) ✓

(1 - [redacted])

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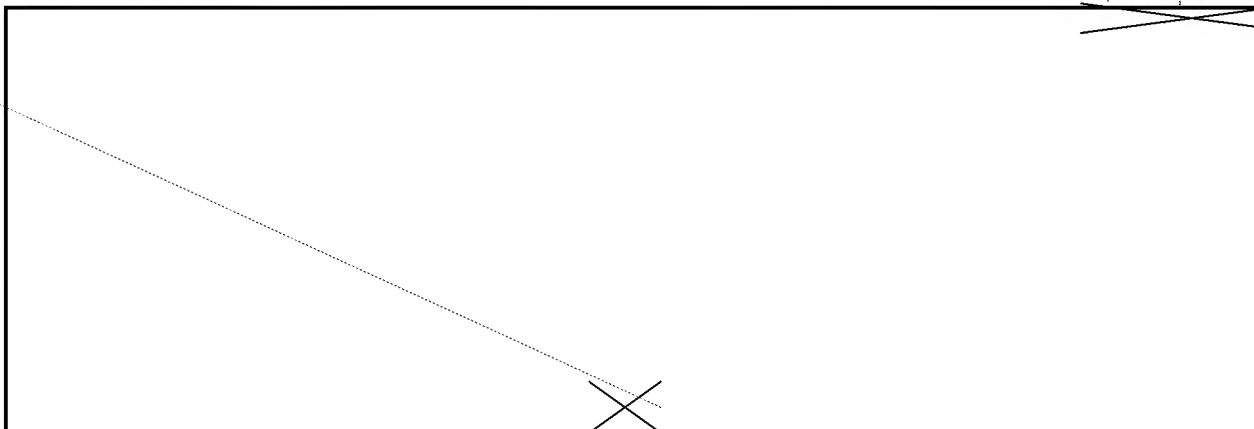
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Subsequent to the date the above information was furnished, the source has not furnished any additional information of value in identifying the American agent.

Investigation has brought forth a number of logical suspects, the best of which were considered to be WAKSMAN and BRAUN.

A review of information available regarding WAKSMAN and BRAUN did not disclose anything of value in establishing any definite connection between them and ROBPROF (S)(u)

The Newark Division, in their investigation of WAKSMAN and BRAUN, maintains contact with confidential source

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[redacted] who is aware of most of WAKSMAN's activities, has advised that WAKSMAN is no longer active and current in the field of medical science, as he has been out of the laboratory for years. WAKSMAN is not too fond of the Soviets and constantly makes unfavorable comments concerning them. He has referred to the Soviet Union as "the police state." [redacted] said that WAKSMAN has no contact with the Soviets and cares less about having contact with them.

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[redacted] has mentioned that he was not aware of BRAUN's

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daily habits but is aware of his travels in connection with his work. BRAUN attended scientific symposiums in Czechoslovakia and Hungary during the past year. He frequently travels to New York City.

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It has recently come to the attention of the NYO that ~~(S)~~

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(U) the subject's principal. [REDACTED]

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(U) It is felt that both WAKSMAN and BRAUN should be eliminated as suspects in the ROBBROF case at this time, inasmuch as there is no evidence that they have had any contact with [REDACTED]

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(U) IN VIEW OF THE HIGHLY SENSITIVE POSITION OF [REDACTED] EXTREME CAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED IN HANDLING ANY INFORMATION ATTRIBUTED TO THIS SOURCE, AND NO ACTION TAKEN WHICH COULD CONCEIVABLY JEOPARDIZE THE SECURITY OF THE INFORMANT OR REVEAL HIS IDENTITY. (S)

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